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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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TITLE: LONGITUDINAL SHAFT

## AMENDMENT IN RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

MAIL STOP: AMENDMENT Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

In response to the Final Office Action dated December 2, 2008, with the time for response being extended from March 2, 2009 to April 2, 2009 by petition and payment of the extension fee, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 8 of this paper.